



KNOX BOXES

The California Fire Code Section 506 requires that Fire department personnel have immediate access to buildings in the event of an emergency. This requires that the business provide a KNOX Box containing keys necessary for entry to areas that are not readily accessible to fire department personnel.

The California Fire Code Section 506.1 states:

“Where access to or within a structure or an area is restricted because of secured opening or where immediate access is necessary for life-saving or fire-fighting purposes, the fire code official is authorized to require a key box to be installed in an approved location. The key box shall be of an approved type and shall contain keys to gain necessary access as required by the fire code official.”

The KNOX Box shall be installed on the right side of the main entrance or where specified by fire department personnel. In addition, the box must be located eight feet from the ground.

KNOX Box Applications may be obtained at the Fire Prevention Bureau located at 3900 Main Street 3rd Floor. If you have further questions or concerns please contact Fire Prevention.

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